

of Agriculture in respect to the ownership of public lands, and to authorize said Commissioner of Agriculture to make certificates, under his official seal, of the conveyances of and other facts in connection with lands of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund or the State Board of Education or other officers of the State of Florida, and to render all such certificates admissible in evidence and entitled to record, and prescribing the force and effect of the same.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 131.)

An Act to repeal Section One Hundred and Six (106) of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relative to the keeping of certain record books and details of all claims filed.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 3.)

An Act to restore to the tax books of Bradford County certain lands withdrawn from the list of taxable property of said county by reason of the purchase by the State of lands in said county known as the State Prison Farm, and to provide for the assessment and collection and payment of taxes thereon for county purposes; prescribing certain duties in relation thereto of the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions, and for other purposes incidental thereto.

The Acts were therefore duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate, and ordered returned to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to convey to the House of Representatives for the signatures of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

Mr. Davis moved that the Senate do now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned to ten o'clock A. M. Thursday, May 24, 1917.

Thursday, May 24, 1917.

The Senate convened pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—32.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal of May 23 was corrected and approved as corrected.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber.

Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 640.)

An Act relating to the impounding and sale of certain domestic animals in the City of DeFuniak Springs, Walton County, Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 712.)

An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of DeSoto County, Florida, to re-assess lands benefited by the construction of any drainage district or public drain or auxiliary thereto in said county, where the statute under which the same has been established and

constructed has not been or shall not be complied with in establishing or making assessments for the construction thereof; providing a course of procedure for such re-assessment and collections thereof, and for the payment for work done in such construction; validating all contracts heretofore let for such work; and validating and legalizing the establishment and creation of the several drainage districts and special drainage districts in DeSoto County, Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 613.)

An Act regulating the manner of catching fish in the fresh water lakes and streams of Bay County, Florida; prohibiting shipment of same out of said county; providing for license tax, and punishment for violations of this Act.

Also—

(House Bill No. 6223.)

An Act authorizing and requiring the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, Florida, to reimburse E. E. Goodno, County Commissioner of Commissioner's District No. 5, Lee County, Florida, for loss of money expended by him in pay for improvements for roads in said county and district.

Also—

(House Bill No. 694.)

An Act limiting the amount of tonnage by motor vehicles, and restricting the use of trailers, and log, timber, turpentine or other carts, wagons or vehicles and well machines over certain roads in Pinellas County, Florida; and regulating the speed of and the use of wagons, carts, machines, automobiles or other vehicles over the roads of said County.

Also—

(House Bill No. 241.)

An Act for the relief of Sam Keen.

Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,
J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts contained therein were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Wilson, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 492:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relative to the care, maintenance and hiring of State convicts, and making an appropriation for carrying out the provisions thereof.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,
A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 492, contained in above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 640.)

An Act relating to the impounding and sale of certain domestic animals in the City of DeFuniak Springs, Walton County, Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 712.)

An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of DeSoto County, Florida, to re-assess lands benefited by the construction of any drainage district or public drain or auxiliary thereto in said county, where the statute under which the same has been established and constructed has not been or shall not be compiled with in establishing or making assessments for the construction thereof; providing a course of procedure for such re-assessment and collections thereof and for the payment for work done in such construction; validating all contracts heretofore let for such work; and validating and legalizing the establishment and creation of the several drainage districts and special drainage districts in DeSoto County, Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 613.)

An Act regulating the manner of catching fish in the fresh water lakes and streams of Bay County, Florida, prohibiting shipment of same out of said county; providing for license tax, and punishment for violations of this Act.

Also—

(House Bill No. 623.)

An Act authorizing and requiring the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, Florida, to reimburse E. E. Goodno, County Commissioner of Commissioner's District Number Five, Lee County, Florida, for loss of money expended by him in paying for improvements for roads in said county and district.

Also—

(House Bill No. 694.)

An Act limiting the amount of tonnage by motor vehicles, and restricting the use of trailers, and log, timber,

turpentine or other carts, wagons or vehicles and well machines over certain roads in Pinellas County, Florida, and regulating the speed of and the use of wagons, carts, machines, automobiles or other vehicles over the roads of said county.

Also—

(House Bill No. 241.)

An Act for the relief of Sam Keen.

Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts contained in the above report were ordered referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to be conveyed to the House of Representatives for the signatures of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

Mr. Gornito, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate,

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 640.)

An Act relating to the impounding and sale of certain domestic animals in the City of DeFuniak Springs, Walton County, Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 712.)

An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of DeSoto County, Florida, to re-assess lands benefited by the construction of any drainage district or public drain or auxiliary thereto in said county, where the statute under which the same has been established and

constructed has not been or shall not be complied with in establishing or making assessments for the construction thereof; providing a course of procedure for such reassessment and collections thereof and for the payment for work done in such construction; validating all contracts heretofore let for such work; and validating and legalizing the establishment and creation of the several drainage districts and special drainage districts in DeSoto County, Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 613.)

An Act regulating the manner of catching fish in the fresh water lakes and streams of Bay County, Florida, prohibiting shipment of same out of said county; providing for license tax, and punishment for violations of this Act.

Also—

(House Bill No. 623.)

An Act authorizing and requiring the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, Florida, to reimburse E. E. Goodno, County Commissioner of Commissioner's District No. 5, Lee County, Florida, for loss of money expended by him in paying for improvements for roads in said county and district.

Also—

(House Bill No. 694.)

An Act limiting the amount of tonnage by motor vehicles, and restricting the use of trailers, and log, timber, turpentine or other carts, wagons or vehicles and well machines over certain roads in Pinellas County, Florida, and regulating the speed of and the use of wagons, carts, machines, automobiles or other vehicles over the roads of said county.

Also—

(House Bill No. 241.)

An Act for the relief of Sam Keen.

Beg leave to report that the same have been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Repre-

sentatives, and are herewith presented to the Senate for the signatures of the President and Secretary thereof.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTON,
Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Davis, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary A, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate,

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary A, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 736:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 2920, of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the making of annual reports by common carriers to the Railroad Commissioners.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass.

Also—

House Bill No. 311.

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 799, of the General Statutes of Florida, relative to Trustees of County Bonds.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass.

Also—

House Bill No. 737:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prohibit unlawful carnal intercourse with an unmarried female of previous chaste character under the age of eighteen years, and to provide penalty for the punishment of such offense.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

C. E. DAVIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bills Nos. 736, 311 and 737, contained in the above report, were placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Davis, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary A, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary A, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 478.)

A Bill to be entitled An Act defining the standard for gasoline used for illuminating and power purposes and regulating the manufacture, measure and sale thereof, in the State of Florida, and providing for the appointment of Gasoline Inspectors and levying a special tax on gasoline used for illuminating purposes sold or offered for sale in the State of Florida; prescribing the duties of certain officers in carrying out the provisions of this Act; imposing an inspection fee and tax upon dealers, etc.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

C. E. DAVIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 478, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. J. M. Gornito, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 609.)

An Act to prevent non-residents of the State of Florida from hunting in Taylor County, State of Florida, without

a non-resident hunter's license, prescribing the conditions under which license shall be issued, and providing for penalties for the violation of this Act.

Also—

(House Bill No. 718.)

An Act to authorize the construction of a jetty, breakwater or other structure in the Atlantic Ocean at or near Jupiter, in Palm Beach County, Florida, in order to protect, preserve and keep open an inlet which shall connect the Atlantic Ocean with the Indian River and which shall be constructed by a drainage district within Palm Beach County, Florida; and to provide for the issuance and sale of bonds to raise funds for such jetty, breakwater or other structure, and for the payment of such bonds; and to provide for the maintenance, repair, preservation and protection of any such jetty, breakwater or other structure.

Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts contained therein were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Mathis, Chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred—
(House Bill No. 434.)

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections two, three, thirteen, fourteen, eighteen and twenty of Chapter 6178, Acts of 1911, approved May 23, 1911, being: "An Act to create a State School Book Commission, and to procure for use in the public schools of the State of Florida a uniform series of text books, and to define the duties and powers of said commission, to make preparations for carrying this Act into effect, and providing penalties for violation of same."

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

C. C. MATHIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 434, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 609.)

An Act to prevent non-residents of the State of Florida from hunting in Taylor County, State of Florida, without a non-resident hunter's license, prescribing the conditions under which license shall be issued, and providing for penalties for the violation of this Act.

Also—

(House Bill No. 718.)

An Act to authorize the construction of a jetty, breakwater or other structure in the Atlantic Ocean at or near Jupiter, in Palm Beach County, Florida, in order to protect, preserve and keep open an inlet, which shall connect the Atlantic Ocean with the Indian River and which shall be constructed by a drainage district within Palm Beach County, Florida; and to provide for the issuance and sale of bonds to raise funds for such jetty, breakwater or other structure, and for the payment of such bonds; and to provide for the maintenance, repair, preservation and protection of any such jetty, breakwater or other structure.

Have carefully examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts contained in the above report were ordered referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to be conveyed to the House of Representatives for the signatures of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 262.)

An Act to amend Section 4109 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, as amended by Chapter 5705 of the Acts of 1907, and by Chapter 5963 of the Acts of 1909, relating to the labor of county convicts.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 135.)

An Act to amend Section 950 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, pertaining to draining by counties, as amended by Chapter 6457, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1913.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 31.)

An Act to regulate the procedure in appeals in Chancery causes from the Circuit Court of the State of Florida, to the Supreme Court of Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 116.)

An Act to provide for the appointment and re-commissioning of officers on the retired list and reserve list of the National Guard of Florida without examination.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 541.)

An Act ratifying and validating and confirming the

creation and organization of a drainage district in St. Johns and Volusia Counties, Florida, known as Bunnell Drainage District, created and organized under the provisions of Chapter 6458 of the Laws of 1913, State of Florida, declaring the same to be a legal and valid drainage district, and ratifying and validating and confirming all acts taken and performed for and on behalf of said drainage district.

Have carefully examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,
J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts contained therein were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 609.)

An Act to prevent non-residents of the State of Florida from hunting in Taylor County, State of Florida, without a non-resident hunter's license, prescribing the conditions under which license shall be issued, and providing for penalties for the violation of this Act.

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An Act to authorize the construction of a jetty, breakwater or other structure in the Atlantic Ocean at or near Jupiter in Palm Beach County, Florida, in order to protect, preserve and keep open an inlet which shall connect the Atlantic Ocean with the Indian River and which shall be constructed by a drainage district within Palm Beach County, Florida; and to provide for the issuance

and sale of bonds to raise funds for such jetty, breakwater or other structure and for the payment of such bonds; and to provide for the maintenance, repair, preservation and protection of any such jetty, breakwater or other structure.

Beg leave to report that the same have been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, and are herewith presented to the Senate for the signatures of the president and Secretary thereof.

Very respectfully,
J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate,

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 262.)

An Act to amend Section 4109 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, as amended by Chapter 5705 of the Acts of 1907, and by Chapter 5863 of the Acts of 1909, relating to the labor of county convicts.

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An Act ratifying and validating and confirming the creation and organization of a drainage district in St. Johns and Volusia Counties, Florida, known as Bunnell Drainage District, created and organized under the provision of Chapter 6458 of the Laws of 1913, State of Florida, declaring the same to be a legal and valid drainage district, and ratifying and validating and confirming all Acts taken and performed for and on behalf of said drainage district.

Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTON,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts were then presented for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS AND CONSIDERATION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Middleton offered the following Memorial—

Memorial No. 4:

Memorial to the Congress of the United States of America, That the Federal Aid Road Act approved July 11, A. D. 1916, entitled "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the States in the construction of rural post roads and for other purposes," be amended so as to allow the use of Federal Aid roads on roads of military importance, whether or not such roads are used as rural post roads.

Whereas, An Act of the Congress of the United States of America, approved July 11, A. D. 1916, known as the "Federal Aid Road Act," the same being entitled "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the States in the construction of rural post roads and for other purposes," provides in Section 6 thereof "That any State desiring to avail itself of the benefits of this Act shall, by its State Highway Department, submit to the Secretary of Agriculture project statements setting forth proposed

construction of any rural post road or roads therein;" and

Whereas, The State Road Department of Florida is officially advised that in correspondence between the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of War of the United States it has been practically decided that in view of the present national crisis and the urgent need for through roads suitable for military purposes that the use of the Federal Aid to the several States would be to a large extent limited to the improvement of such roads as would meet the above named requirements; and

Whereas, The through roads of the State of Florida, such as would be of military importance, are used to a very limited extent as rural post roads; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida, now in session, That the Congress of the United States of America, now in session in Washington, D. C., be and is hereby respectfully requested to so amend the Federal Aid Road Act, approved July 11, 1916, that the Federal Aid for road improvement may be applicable to through roads which are or may be of military importance, whether or not said roads are used or likely to become used as Rural Post Roads; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this Memorial be forwarded to the Florida delegation in the Congress of the United States and that the members of said delegation be and are hereby requested and urged to use their utmost endeavors to secure the enactment of such amendment to the Federal Road Act.

Which was read the first time and was laid over under the rules.

Mr. Igou offered the following Resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 24:

Whereas, The House of Representatives has questioned the superiority of this body in matters baseball and has challenged the Senate to defend her right to the claim of championship on the grounds of past performance, and asks that this body join in a game to be played next Saturday afternoon for the benefit of the local Chapter of the American Red Cross Society; and

Whereas, A little play and relaxation will be in order after the strenuous week ahead of us; and

Whereas, There is no more worthy cause to which our

pleasure and efforts might contribute financially than that of the aforesaid; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That the Senate accept the challenge of the House of Representatives for a game of baseball to be played on the local diamond of this city on Saturday afternoon of May 26th for the benefit of the local Chapter of the American Red Cross Society, and to settle the disputed question of the Senate's superiority in the great American game.

Resolved, further, That Mr. Bedenfield, Reading Secretary of the Senate, be named as manager and promoter for the Senate baseball team, and be authorized to procure all gloves, bats and balls needed and to co-operate with the House manager to the end that the game will be a financial success to the aforesaid cause.

Resolved further, That Senator Moore be named as captain of the Senate baseball team, and that he be authorized to select the personnel of the team and do anything and everything in connection with the game—that the umpires will permit—which will contribute to the defense of the Senate's right of title to the championship.

Resolved further, That for the purposes of this game, that no session of the Senate be held on the afternoon of Saturday, May 26th.

Mr. Igou moved to adopt the Resolution.
Which was agreed to.

Mr. King offered the following Resolution:
Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 20:

A Resolution providing for the designation of three taxpayers of the State to ascertain and report to the Legislature at its next session information and recommendations as will aid in perfecting measures to equalize and reduce the burdens of taxation.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

That the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives are authorized to designate three taxpayers of this State who shall, without compensation, carefully consider matters relative to taxation in this State and report to the Legislature at its next session such data and recommendations as they may deem to be useful in perfecting measures designed for the equalization and reduction of the taxes imposed for State and county purposes.

Which was read the first time and was laid over under the rule.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Oliver—
Senate Bill No. 565:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of Liberty County to issue and sell interest-bearing time warrants and to provide for the application of the funds derived from said issue and sale.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Oliver moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 565 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 565 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Oliver moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 565 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 565 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Shepard, Terrell, Willis—24.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

By Mr. Hughlett—
Senate Bill No. 566:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to organize a municipal government for the City of Vero, in the County of St. Lucie, State of Florida, and to provide for its jurisdiction and government.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 566 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 566 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived, and that Senate Bill No. 566 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 566 was read a third time in full.

Upon the call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Willis, Wilson—27.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

By Mr. Farris—

Senate Bill No. 567:

A Bill to be entitled An Act for the relief of L. D. Howell, County Solicitor of the Criminal Court of Record in and for Duval County, Florida, for loss of salary and fees during his suspension from said office.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Farris moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 567 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 567 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Farris moved that the rules be further waived, and that Senate Bill No. 567 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 567 was read a third time in full.

Upon the call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander Andrews, Baker, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Willis, Wilson—27.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately.

By Mr. Alexander—

Senate Bill No. 568:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1950 of the General Statutes of 1906, relating to actions to quiet title to real estate.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary B.

By Mr. Alexander—

Senate Bill No. 569:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the drainage and reclamation of certain lands in Volusia County, Florida; establishing Turnbull Hammock Drainage District; creating a Board of Drainage Commissioners and prescribing its powers and duties; levying a drainage tax upon the lands described within said drainage district; providing for the issuance of bonds of said drainage district; conferring the right of eminent domain upon said Board of Drainage Commissioners, and fixing their compensation.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Alexander moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 569 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 569 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Alexander moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 569 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 569 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—28.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

Executive Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 22, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate,

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that I have approved the following Bills which originated in your Honorable Body and have caused the same to be filed in the office of Secretary of State:

(Senate Bill No. 516.)

An Act empowering the municipalities of the City of Palmetto and the City of Bradentown to own, construct, operate and maintain jointly a bridge across the Manatee River, empowering said cities to regulate and control the passage of conveyances for hire and license therefor upon said bridge, providing for the issuance of bonds therefor, the regulation of traffic, the management and control thereof and power of sale.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 313.)

An Act to amend Section 5 of Article 2 and Section 51 of Article 6 of Chapter 7128 of the Laws of Florida of A. D. 1915, same being An Act entitled "An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the City of Apalachicola, in the County of Franklin and State of Florida; and to organize and establish a Commission Form of Government for the same; to prescribe its jurisdiction and power, and to authorize the imposition of penalties for the violation of its ordinances," approved May 20th, A. D. 1915, which amendments relate to boundaries of said City of Apalachicola and the assessment of property for taxation; the manner of collecting delinquent taxes; prescribing a procedure for foreclosing the city's liens for taxes on real estate, the interest, penalties, costs, solicitor's fees and assessments, of former years; the validation of previous assessments, the valid-

ity of title obtained through court proceedings; and the validation of the adoption by the people of said city of the Commission Form of Government provided by said Chapter 7128, and the validation of acts of officers of said city under said Commission Form of Government since July 1st, A. D. 1915, and the repeal of laws in conflict with this Act.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 142.)

An Act relating to the liability of persons, companies, corporations, co-partnerships, associations, fraternal benefit societies and others, executing life, fire, accident, casualty or other insurance contracts.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 41.)

An Act creating a State Fire Insurance Fund, and authorizing the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions to insure all property of the State in such fund, and directing the State Treasurer to keep a record of all matters necessary for carrying out the provisions of this Bill.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 477.)

An Act to provide the time for holding the terms of the Circuit Court in the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit of Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 475.)

An Act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 6250, Laws of the State of Florida, entitled "An Act to authorize and empower the Board of Public Instruction of Alachua County, Florida, to issue interest-bearing coupon warrants for the purpose of borrowing money for the erection of school buildings, and providing for the payment thereof.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 129.)

An Act to amend Section One Hundred and Seven

(107) of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to warrant's paid.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 265.)

An Act prohibiting the use of public roads of this State for traffic of an unusual or destructive character.

Respectfully,

SIDNEY J. CATTS,
Governor.

MESSAGES FROM HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—
House Bill No. 169:

A Bill to be entitled An Act making an appropriation for the maintenance of the co-operative agricultural extension work between this State and the United States Department of Agriculture, required to be maintained by Chapter 6839, Laws of Florida.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,
R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 169, contained in the above message was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Igou moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 169 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 169 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Igou moved that the rules be waived, and that House Bill No. 169 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 169 was read a third time in full. Upon the call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—31.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted the report of the Committee of Conference upon—

House Bill No. 410:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to protect and regulate the game, wild animals and birds of the State of Florida, and providing for the enforcement of this Act.

And the House has receded from its position, and has concurred in the following Senate amendment:

"Strike out all of Section 23."

Also—

The following change was agreed to, and the Committee recommendation was adopted as follows:

That the Senate recede from its amendment "striking out 'February 1st' wherever it appears in the Bill, and insert in lieu thereof 'March 1st.'" Provided, that the words "February 22nd, inclusive," be inserted in lieu of "February 1st" where it appears in original Bill, which

your Conference Committee recommends for adoption by both Houses.

Very respectfully,
R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And the foregoing message was read.

By permission—

Pending the consideration of the above message, Mr. Gornto, Chairman of the Committee on Conference on Senate Amendments to House Bill No. 410, on part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate,

and

Hon. Cary A. Hardee,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sirs:

The Committee on Conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to House Bill No. 410, the same being:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to protect and regulate the game, wild animals and birds of the State of Florida, and providing for the enforcement of this Act.

Having met, beg to report that after full and free conference, have agreed to recommend and do recommend to their respective Houses as follows:

That the House recede from its action refusing to concur in the Senate amendment: "striking out all of Section 23," and that the House concur in said amendment.

Also that the Senate recede from its action in adopting the following amendment, to-wit: "In Section 12, line 7, strike out the words 'or lands within the election precinct in which such person resides.'"

Also that the Senate recede from its amendment "striking out the words 'November 20th' where the same appear in the bill as the beginning or opening of the hunting season, and insert in lieu thereof 'December 1st.'"

Also that the Senate recede from its amendment "striking out 'February 1st' wherever it appears in the bill, and insert in lieu thereof 'March 1st.'" Provided, that the words "February 22nd, inclusive," be inserted in lieu of "February 1st" where it appears in original bill.

Which your Conference Committee recommends for adoption by both Houses.

Also, we recommend that the Senate recede from the following amendment adopted by the Senate, to-wit: "In Section 21, line 10, add the following: 'Provided, that non-resident students of military schools may be permitted, in counties where such schools are located, to hunt during the season for a license tax of \$2.50 each.'"

Your Conference Committee asks concurrence in and adoption of this report.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. GORNTO,
C. C. MATHIS,
C. E. WAVIS,

Conference Committee on the part of the Senate.

S. D. HARRIS,
J. W. WATSON,
JNO. A. SCRUGGS,
M. L. DAWSON,
TELFAR STOCKTON,

Conference Committee on the part of the

House of Representatives.

Mr. Gornto moved to adopt the report and that the Senate do recede from its action in adopting the following amendment:

In Section 12, line 7, strike out the words "or lands within the election precinct in which such person resides."

Which was agreed to.

And the Senate receded from its action in adopting the amendment.

Mr. Gornto moved that the Senate do recede from its action in adopting the following amendment: "Strike out the words 'November 20th' (where the same appears in the Bill as the beginning of the hunting season), and insert in lieu thereof 'December 1st.'"

Which was agreed to.

And the Senate receded from its action in adopting the amendment.

Mr. Gornto moved that the Senate do recede from its action in adopting the following amendment:

"Strike out 'February 1st' wherever it appears in the Bill and insert in lieu thereof 'March 1st.'"

Which was agreed to.

And the Senate receded from its action in adopting the amendment.

Mr. Gornito moved that the following change, recommended by the Conference Committee, to-wit: Provided that the words "February 22nd, inclusive" be inserted in lieu of "February 1st wherever it appears in the original Bill" be adopted.

Which was agreed to.

And the change above stated, recommended by the Conference Committee, was adopted.

Mr. Gornito moved that the Senate do recede from its action in adopting the following amendment:

"In Section 21, line 10, add the following: 'Provided that non-resident students of military schools may be permitted, in counties where such schools are located, to hunt during the season for a license tax of \$2.50 each.'"

Which was agreed to.

And the Senate receded from its action in adopting the amendment.

And the action of the Senate was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that Senate Bill No. 138 be laid on the table.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 138 was so placed.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—
Senate Bill No. 517:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing compensation to the Board of County Commissioners of Lafayette County, Florida, from the Dixie Highway Special Road and Bridge District Fund of said Lafayette County, for services rendered in behalf of and relating to said district.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 542:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the County Board of Public Instruction for the County of Lee, State of Florida, to borrow money for the payment of outstanding school warrants or for the purpose of paying the expenses incurred in operating the schools of Lee County, to pay interest upon said loans not exceeding eight per cent (8%) per annum and to limit the borrowing capacity of said Board.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bills Nos. 517 and 542, contained in the above message, were referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate,

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed, with amendments—

Senate Bill No. 468:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to create and incorporate a Special Taxing District to include and embrace all of the County of St. Lucie, in the State of Florida, and to be known and designated as the St. Lucie County Inlet District; to provide for the government and administration of the said St. Lucie County Inlet District; to define the powers and purposes of said district and of the Board of Commissioners thereof; to authorize said Board to construct an inlet in said district to connect the waters of the Atlantic Ocean with the waters of the Indian River; to construct all other works necessary or proper in connection with the inlet hereinbefore mentioned; to provide for the condemnation of any property

needed for district purposes; to empower the Board of Commissioners of the St. Lucie County Inlet District to levy and collect taxes upon all the taxable property in said district for the purposes authorized by this Act; to authorize said Board to borrow money and to issue and sell bonds to procure money to carry out the provisions of this Act; to prevent injury to any works constructed under this Act, and to provide for criminal prosecution and punishment for any such injury; and generally to provide for the construction, protection and maintenance of an inlet in said district to connect the waters of the Atlantic Ocean with the waters of the Indian River.

House amendments to Senate Bill No. 468:

(1) After the word "inlet" in lines 7, 9 and 18, add "or inlets."

(2) In Section 5, after the word "inlet," wherever it appears in the section, add "or inlets."

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 468, contained in the above message, together with amendments of the House of Representatives thereto, was placed before the Senate.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the Senate concur in Amendment No. 1 of the House to Senate Bill No. 468, as contained in the message.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the Senate concur in Amendment No. 2 of the House to Senate Bill No. 468.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 468, as amended by the House of Representatives and concurred in by the Senate, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate,

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed, with amendments—

Senate Bill No. 474:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the County Board of Public Instruction for the County of Dade, State of Florida, to borrow money for the payment of outstanding school warrants or for the purpose of paying the expenses incurred in operating the schools of Dade County, to pay interest upon said loans not exceeding eight per cent (8%) per annum and to limit the borrowing capacity of said Board.

House amendments to Senate Bill No. 474:

In Section 1, line 5, strike out the words "eight per cent" in title and bill and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Six per cent" in title and bill.

Add to Section 1 the following: "Provided further, that the warrants provided for in this section shall not be issued until approved by the majority of the voters of Dade County, actually voting at an election held for that purpose and called by the Board of Public Instruction of said county."

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 474, contained in the above message, together with amendments of the House of Representatives thereto, was placed before the Senate.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the Senate concur in the first amendment of the House to Senate Bill No. 474.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the Senate concur in the second amendment of the House to Senate Bill No. 474.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 474, as amended by the House of Representatives and concurred in by the Senate, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate,

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 733:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to legalize and confirm the incorporation of the Town of Caryville, in Washington County, Florida, and to declare the same a legally incorporated town; to legalize and validate certain levies, assessments and collection of taxes; and to extend and enlarge the territorial limits of said town.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 733, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Mathis moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 733 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 733 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Mathis moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 733 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 733 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—32.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 729:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing and empowering the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County, Florida, to levy a tax not to exceed one-half mill, for the encouragement and protection of the agricultural and animal industries of said county, in addition to any similar tax authorized by General Law.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 729, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 729 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 729 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 729 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 729 was read a third time in full.

Upon the call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McLeod, MacWil-

liams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—28.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 709:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Chapter 7234 of the Laws of Florida, entitled "An Act to establish the municipality of Safety Harbor, Florida; to authorize its issuance of bonds, to provide for an organization of a commission form of government, to fix its territorial limits and to prescribe its jurisdiction and powers.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,
R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 709, contained in the above message was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to in-

form the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 708:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prohibit the catching of fish with seines, gill nets or drag nets in the ponds, lakes, creeks, rivers or bayous of Pinellas County, Florida.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,
R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 708, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 722:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to make it unlawful for live stock to run at large in a certain portion of Palm Beach County, Florida, and to provide for the impounding and sale of live stock so running at large.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,
R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 722, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 722 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 722 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived, and House Bill No. 722 was read a third time in full, and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 722 was read a third time in full.

Upon the call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Farris, Fogarty, Gornito, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, McEachern, McLeod, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Willis—25.

Nays—Senators Alexander, MacWilliams, Wilson—3.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 771:

A Bill to be entitled An Act imposing a license or occupational tax on owners or managers of bottling works and laundries doing business in this State, and providing for the collection of same.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,
R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 771, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Finance and Taxation.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 761:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the bringing of suits by the State to quiet titles to lands acquired through non-payment of taxes; to provide for the sale and conveyance of such lands and the disposition of the proceeds from such sales.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,
R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 761, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Jones moved to waive the rules and place House Bill No. 761 on the Calendar of Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And the Bill was so placed.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 50:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to back taxes, tax

liens and tax sale certificates; providing for the payment, cancellation and surrender thereof and fixing the interest to be collected thereon in lieu of existing interest, penalties and costs.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 50, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to return to the Senate for its further consideration—

House Bill No. 447:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing for the certification and examination of teachers; prescribing the requirements for the different teachers' certificates; creating a State Board of Examiners; prescribing their duties and providing for their compensation and expenses.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Mr. Mathis moved to make Senate Bills Nos. 331, 364, 426, 431, 225 and 521 a Special Order for consideration at 11 o'clock A. M. Friday, May 25, 1917..

Which was agreed to.

And the above Bills took their position on the Calendar as Orders of the Day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

The motion by Mr. MacWilliams to reconsider the vote by which House Bill No. 447 passed the Senate on Tuesday.

Which was laid over for consideration on yesterday under the rule.

Was taken up and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Mr. McLeod moved to lay Senate Bill No. 324 on the table.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Alexander moved to lay Senate Bill No. 408 on the table.

Which was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Senate Bill No. 246:

A Bill to be entitled An Act for the relief of J. M. Welch of Citrus County, State of Florida, and providing for a pension for the said Welch.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 246 the vote was:
Yeas — Senators Baker, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, King, Wilson—6.

Nays—Mr. President; Senators Alexander, Andrews, Carlton, Davis, Gronto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, McEachern, MacWilliams, McLeod, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Turner, Wells, Willis—22.

So the Bill failed to pass.

Senate Bill No. 141:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to set apart Sunday as a day of public rest; to provide for the closing of places of business, stores, shops and other places of business, on Sunday; to provide for the closing of places of public amusement; to provide for the duties of officers in enforcing this Act; to provide for punishment of those violating the provisions of this Act and other penalties; to provide for the conviction and rules of evidence in cases arising under this Act.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

By unanimous consent—

Mr. Terrell offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 141:

In Section 2, line 5, after the word "hotels" and before "boarding houses" insert the following "restaurant."

Mr. Terrell moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

By unanimous consent—

Mr. Terrell offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 141:

In Section 2, after the word "Sabbath," at the end of said Section, insert: "Provided, however, that nothing herein shall be construed to apply to or prevent the operation of railroad lines, telegraph lines, telephone lines, or other public carriers or utility or public service plants, furnishing generally to consumers in water, light or fuel."

Mr. Terrell moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

By unanimous consent—

Mr. Wilson offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 141:

After Section Ten (10) add the following: "Provided, the penalties for violation of this Act shall not apply to persons who, from religious conviction, believe in the observance of Saturday and do observe Saturday as a day of rest."

Mr. Wilson moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 141, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 339:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 4000 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the indictment and trial of one accused of crime in another county than where the crime was committed.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 339 the vote was:

Yeas — Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis—27.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 314:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section 4 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of

Florida, relating to the compensation of Senators and members of the House of Representatives.

Was taken up and read the third time in full as follows:

Joint Resolution No. 314:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section 4, of Article III, of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relating to the compensation of Senators and members of the House of Representatives.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

That the following amendment of Section 4, of Article III, of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relating to the compensation of Senators and members of the House of Representatives is hereby agreed to and shall be submitted to the electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the next general election hereafter; that is to say, that Section 4, of Article III, of the Constitution of the State of Florida, be amended so as to read as follows:

"Senators and members of the House of Representatives shall be duly qualified electors in the respective counties and districts for which they were chosen. The pay of members of the Senate and House of Representatives shall be Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars for each regular session, and Ten Dollars a day for each day of Special Session and mileage to and from their homes to the seat of government, not to exceed ten cents a mile each way, by the nearest and most practicable route."

Upon the passage of the Resolution, the roll was called and the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Farris, Fogarty, Hughlett, Igou, King, Mathis, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—16.

Nays—Mr. President, Senators Calkins, Gornto, Greene, Jones, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard—13.

So Senate Joint Resolution failed to pass.

Senate Bill No. 337:

A Bill to be entitled An Act empowering the Board of County Commissioners of any county in this State, when petitioned so to do, to call and hold an election in any election precinct or precincts of such county, to de-

termine if live stock, or any species thereof, shall be prohibited from running at large in such precinct or precincts; prescribe penalties, and state conditions and manner of impounding same.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 337 the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Crawford, Davis, Fogarty, Gornito, Hughlett, Jones, King, Roland, Shepard, Wells, Willis, Wilson—12.

Nays—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Farris, Greene, Igou, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Turner—15.

So the Bill failed to pass.

Senate Bill No. 23:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to promote the prevention of industrial accidents, to cause provision to be made for adequate medical and surgical care for injured employes; to establish rates of compensation for personal injuries or death sustained by employes in the course of employment; to provide methods for insuring the payment of such compensation; to create an industrial board for the administration of the Act and to prescribe the powers, duties and compensation of such Board.

Was taken up, the motion to indefinitely postpone the Bill pending.

The following Committee amendment was read:

Strike out Section 10, and place in lieu thereof the following:

"Section 10. Every employer who elects not to operate under this Act, shall in any suit at law by an employe to recover damages for personal injury or death by accident, be permitted all the defenses that he has at common and statutory law in this State."

Mr. Farris moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following Committee amendment was read:

Strike out all of Section 12, and place in lieu thereof the following:

"Section 12. When both the employer and employe elect not to operate under this Act, then the liability, defenses and remedies shall be the same as at common and

statutory law and as though this Act were not in force and effect."

Mr. Farris moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following Committee amendment was read:

In Section 29, line 2, strike out the word "ninety" and insert in lieu thereof the words "seventy-five."

Mr. Farris moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following Committee amendment was read:

In Section 29, line 3, strike out the word "four" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "two."

Mr. Farris moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following Committee Amendment was read:

Strike out all of Section 32.

Mr. Farris moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following Committee Amendment was read:

In Section 38, strike out the last paragraph, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "For the purpose of this Act, the dependence of a widow, or widower of a deceased employee, and dependent children living with said widow or widower shall terminate with remarriage."

Mr. Farris moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following Committee amendment was read:

Section 40, line 2, strike out the words "twenty-four dollars," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "eighteen dollars."

Mr. Farris moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following Committee amendment was read:

Section 40, line 2, strike out the words "ten dollars," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "five dollars."

Mr. Farris moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following Committee Amendment was read:

At the end of Section 29 add the following:

"In case of the following injuries the disability caused thereby shall be deemed total and permanent, to-wit:

1. The total and permanent loss of sight of both eyes.
2. The loss of both feet at and above the ankle.

3. The loss of both hands at or above the wrist.
4. The loss of one hand and one foot.
5. An injury to the spine resulting in permanent and complete paralysis of both legs or both arms or of one leg and one arm.
6. An injury to the skull resulting in incurable imbecility or insanity.

The above enumeration, however, is not to be taken as exclusive."

Mr. Farris moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following Committee Amendment was read:

Strike out all of Section 30.

Strike out all of Section 31, and place in lieu thereof the following:

"Section 31. For injuries causing only partial disability the compensation to be paid subject to the provisions of this Act for maximum and minimum payments shall be seventy-five per cent for the first twenty-six weeks and after that period at a rate of fifty per cent of the average weekly earnings of the employe for the period named in the following schedule, to-wit:

1. The loss of one arm at or near the shoulder, two hundred forty weeks;
2. The loss of one arm at the elbow, two hundred weeks;
3. The loss of a forearm at the lower half thereof, one hundred sixty weeks;
4. The loss of a hand, one hundred sixty weeks;
5. The loss of a palm, where the thumb remained, eighty weeks;
6. The loss of a thumb and the metacarpal bone thereof, sixty weeks;
7. The loss of a thumb at the proximal joint, forty weeks;
8. The loss of a thumb at the second or distal joint, twenty weeks;
9. The loss of an index finger and the metacarpal bone thereof, thirty weeks;
10. The loss of an index finger at the proximal joint, twenty weeks;
11. The loss of an index finger at the distal joint, fifteen weeks;

12. The loss of an index finger and the metacarpal bone thereof, ten weeks;
13. The loss of a second finger and the metacarpal bone thereof, twenty weeks;
14. The loss of a middle finger at the proximal joint, fifteen weeks;
15. The loss of a middle finger at the second joint, ten weeks;
16. The loss of a middle finger at the distal joint, five weeks;
17. The loss of a third or ring finger and the metacarpal bone thereof, twelve weeks;
18. The loss of a ring finger at the proximal joint, eight weeks;
19. The loss of a ring finger at the second joint, six weeks;
20. The loss of a little finger at the distal joint, four weeks;
21. The loss of a little finger and the metacarpal bone thereof, fifteen weeks;
22. The loss of a little finger at the proximal joint, ten weeks;
23. The loss of a little finger at the second joint, eight weeks;
24. The loss of a little finger at the distal joint, four weeks;
25. The loss of all the fingers of one hand where the thumb and palm remain, sixty weeks;
26. The loss of a leg at the hip joint, or so near thereto as to preclude the use of an artificial limb, two hundred forty weeks;
27. The loss of a leg at or above the knee, where stump remains sufficient to permit the use of an artificial limb, one hundred sixty weeks;
28. The loss of a foot at the ankle, one hundred twenty weeks;
29. The loss of a great toe with the metatarsal bone thereof, thirty weeks;
30. The loss of a great toe at the proximal joint, twenty weeks;
31. The loss of a great toe at the second joint, ten weeks;
32. The loss of any other toe with the metatarsal bone thereof, twelve weeks;

33. The loss of any other toe at the proximal joint, four weeks;

34. The loss of any other toe at the second or distal joint, four weeks.

35. The loss of all the toes of one foot, forty weeks.

36. The loss of an eye by enucleation, one hundred sixty weeks;

37. The loss of the second eye, by enucleation, three hundred twenty weeks;

38. Total blindness of one eye, one hundred twenty weeks;

39. Total blindness of the second eye, two hundred forty weeks;

40. Total deafness both ears, one hundred sixty weeks;

41. Total deafness of one ear, forty weeks.

42. Total deafness of the second ear, one hundred twenty weeks;

For all injuries causing partial disability, not herein scheduled, such sums as may be determined upon by the Industrial Board of Florida, the amount to be awarded to be governed by comparison with the amounts awarded in the foregoing schedule."

Mr. Farris moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following Committee amendment was read:

Strike out all of Section 50, and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"Section 50. A board is hereby created to be known as the Industrial Board of Florida, consisting of the Secretary of State, State Treasurer and Commissioner of Agriculture, and their successors in office, who shall exercise the powers and duties conferred upon them by this Act; they shall elect one of their board as chairman."

Mr. Farris moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following Committee amendment was read:

Section 51, line 1, strike out the words "the salary of each member of the Board shall be two thousand dollars per year."

Mr. Farris moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following Committee amendment was read:

Section 51, line 4, strike out the words "including their counsel," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "The

Attorney General shall be the legal adviser of the said Board."

Mr. Farris moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following Committee amendment was read:

At the end of Section 62, add the following:

"Provided, always, that unless previously authorized by the Industrial Board of Florida, no lien shall be allowed nor any contract be enforceable, for any contingent attorney's fee for the enforcement or collection of any claim for compensation where such contingent fee, inclusive of all taxable attorney's fees paid or agreed to be paid for the enforcement or collection of such claim, exceeds five per cent of the amount at which such claim shall be compromised or of the amount awarded, adjudged or collected."

Mr. Farris moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following Committee amendment was read:

In Section 65, line 1, after the word "shall," insert the following: "Commencing on January 1, 1918."

Mr. Farris moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following Committee amendment was read:

In Section 66, lines 1 and 2, strike out the words "shall within thirty days after this Act takes effect," and insert the following in lieu thereof: "Shall, not later than January 1st, 1918."

Mr. Farris moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The following Committee amendment was read:

Strike out all of Section 68.

When the words "average weekly wages" appear in the bill, strike out said words and place in lieu thereof the words "average weekly earnings."

Mr. Farris moved to lay the amendment on the table.

Which was agreed to.

And the amendment, with the bill, was laid on the table.

Mr. Farris moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendment was laid on the table.

Mr. Farris moved to waive the rules and to take up and now consider the motion to reconsider.

Which motion was not agreed to.

And the consideration of the motion to reconsider the vote by which the amendment was adopted was laid over under the rules.

Senate Bill No. 261 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 84 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Mr. Igou moved to reconsider the vote by which House Bill No. 166 failed to pass.

Which motion was laid over under the rules.

Senate Bill No. 209 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 282:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the litigation of the question of the needs for property sought to be condemned, and to regulate the time within which a second suit for the same property may be brought.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

The Committee offered the following substitute for the Bill:

Substitute for Senate Bill No. 282:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the litigation of the question of the need for property sought to be condemned, and to regulate the time within which a second suit for the same property may be brought.

Which was read:

Mr. Jones moved to waive the rules and read the Substitute Bill the second time.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And the Substitute was read the second time.

Mr. Jones moved to adopt the Substitute.

Which was agreed to.

And the Committee Substitute for the Bill was adopted in lieu of the original Bill.

There being no amendment, Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 282 was placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 290:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to encourage the construction and maintenance by common carriers of railway trestles and bridges for the public transportation of passengers and freight, and the establishment, maintenance and conduct of toll bridges for public use along, over and

across bays, bayous, lakes and rivers of the State of Florida four miles or more in length, and providing for a fair and equitable assessment of taxes against the property of common carriers along, over and across such bays, bayous, lakes and rivers.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

There being no amendment offered, Senate Bill No. 290 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 60 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 331 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 364 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 365:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing for the restoration of civil rights of persons who have or may hereafter be adjudged insane under the Laws of Florida, and committed to the Hospital for the Insane and who shall thereafter receive a discharge from said hospital.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

There being no amendment offered Senate Bill No. 365 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 151:

A Joint Resolution proposing an Amendment to Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relative to Miscellaneous Provisions.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

There being no amendment offered, Senate Joint Resolution No. 151 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 273 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 335:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to require clerks of the

Circuit Court to notify the State Auditor relative to settlements of county tax collections.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

There being no amendment offered, Senate Bill No. 335 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Mr. Farris moved to waive the rules and proceed to the consideration of Messages from the House of Representatives.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And the Senate proceeded to consider—

MESSAGES FROM HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has indefinitely postponed—

Senate Bill No. 26:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Chapter 5892 of the Laws of 1909 relative to issuing execution against stockholders of corporations.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 567:

A Bill to be entitled An Act for the relief of L. D. Howell, County Solicitor of the Criminal Court of Record in and for Duval County, Florida, for loss of salary and fees during his suspension from said office.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 567, contained in the above message was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has refused to concur in Senate amendment to—

House Bill No. 362:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide hog cholera serum for the suppression of hog cholera in the State of Florida.

Amendment as follows:

In Section 2, strike out the figures "3,000" in the last sentence and insert "1,000."

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And the Senate amendment to House Bill No. 362, contained in the above message, was placed before the Senate.

Mr. Wells moved that the Senate do refuse to recede from the amendment as set forth in the Message, and that the Senate insists upon its amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 5:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend An Act entitled An Act to provide for the organization and management of Mutual Fire Insurance Associations, approved June 1, 1915.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 260:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 3540 (2620), Article 9, General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to obscene prints, pictures and literature.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 220:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the Board of Supervisors of a Drainage District to pay for membership in the Florida Drainage Association.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 202:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to define riparian rights in relation to lands on Biscayne Bay and to declare the rights of owners of riparian lands on Biscayne Bay, said lands possessed of riparian rights.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bills Nos. 5, 260, 220 and 202, contained in the above message, were referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

ENROLLED.

The President announced that he was about to sign—
(House Bill No. 640.)

An Act relating to the impounding and sale of certain

domestic animals in the City of DeFuniak Springs, Walton County, Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 712.)

An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of DeSoto County, Florida, to re-assess lands benefited by the construction of any drainage district or public drain or auxiliary thereto in said county, where the statute under which the same has been established and constructed has not been or shall not be complied with in establishing or making assessments for the construction thereof; providing a course of procedure for such re-assessment and collections thereof and for the payment for work done in such construction; validating all contracts heretofore let for such work; and validating and legalizing the establishment and creation of the several drainage districts and special drainage districts in DeSoto County, Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 613.)

An Act regulating the manner of catching fish in the fresh water lakes and streams of Bay County, Florida, prohibiting shipment of same out of said county; providing for license tax, and punishment for violations of this Act.

Also—

(House Bill No. 623.)

An Act authorizing and requiring the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, Florida, to reimburse E. E. Godno, County Commissioner of Commissioner's District Number Five, Lee County, Florida, for loss of money expended by him in paying for improvements for roads in said county and district.

Also—

(House Bill No. 694.)

An Act limiting the amount of tonnage by motor vehicles, and restricting the use of trailers, and log, timber, turpentine and other carts, wagons or vehicles and well machines over certain roads in Pinellas County, Florida, and regulating the speed of and the use of wagons, carts,

machines, automobiles or other vehicles over the roads of said county.

Also—

(House Bill No. 241.)

An Act for the relief of Sam Keen.

Also—

(House Bill No. 609.)

An Act to prevent non-residents of the State of Florida from hunting in Taylor County, State of Florida, without a non-resident hunter's license, prescribing the conditions under which license shall be issued, and providing for penalties for the violation of this Act.

Also—

(House Bill No. 718.)

An Act to authorize the construction of a jetty, breakwater or other structure in the Atlantic Ocean at or near Jupiter, in Palm Beach County, Florida, in order to protect, preserve and keep open an inlet which shall connect the Atlantic Ocean with the Indian River and which shall be constructed by a drainage district within Palm Beach County, Florida; and to provide for the issuance and sale of bonds to raise funds for such jetty, breakwater or other structure and for the payment of such bonds; and to provide for the maintenance, repair, preservation and protection of any such jetty, breakwater or other structure.

The Acts were therefore duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate, and ordered returned to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to convey to the Governor for his approval.

The President also announced that he was about to sign—

(Senate Bill No. 262.)

An Act to amend Section 4109 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, as amended by Chapter 5705 of the Acts of 1907, and by Chapter 5963 of the Acts of 1909, relating to the labor of county convicts.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 135.)

An Act to amend Section 950 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, pertaining to draining by counties, as amended by Chapter 6457, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1913.

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An Act to provide for the appointment and recommitment of officers on the retired list and reserve list of the National Guard of Florida without examination.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 541.)

An Act ratifying and validating and confirming the creation and organization of a drainage district in St. Johns and Volusia Counties, Florida, known as Bunnell Drainage District, created and organized under the provision of Chapter 6458 of the Laws of 1913, State of Florida, declaring the same to be a legal and valid drainage district, and ratifying and validating and confirming all acts taken and performed for and on behalf of said drainage district.

The Acts were therefore duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate and ordered returned to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to convey to the House of Representatives for the signature of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

Mr. McLeod moved that the Senate do now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate took a recess until 4 o'clock P. M. this day.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON—4 O'CLOCK.

The Senate convened pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—32.

A quorum present.

By permission, the following reports were submitted:

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Wilson, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 468:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to create and incorporate a Special Taxing District to include and embrace all of the County of St. Lucie, in the State of Florida, and to be known and designated as the St. Lucie County Inlet District; to provide for the government and administration of the said St. Lucie County Inlet District; to define the powers and purposes of said district and of the Board of Commissioners thereof; to authorize said Board to construct an inlet in said district to connect the waters of the Atlantic Ocean with the waters of the Indian River; to construct all other works necessary or proper in connection with the inlet hereinbefore mentioned; to provide for the condemnation of any property needed for district purposes; to empower the Board of

Commissioners of the St. Lucie County Inlet District to levy and collect taxes upon all the taxable property in said district for the purposes authorized by this Act; to authorize said Board to borrow money and to issue and sell bonds to procure money to carry out the provisions of this Act; to prevent injury to any works constructed under this Act, and to provide for criminal prosecution and punishment for any such injury; and generally to provide for the construction, protection and maintenance of an inlet in said district to connect the waters of the Atlantic Ocean with the waters of the Indian River.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 468, contained in above report, was referred to Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Wilson, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 141:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to set apart Sunday as a day of public rest; to provide for the closing of places of business, stores, shops and other places of business on Sunday; to provide for the closing of places of public amusement; to provide for the duties of officers in enforcing this Act; to provide for the punishment of those violating the provisions of this Act, and other penalties; to provide for the conviction and rules of evidence in cases arising under this Act.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

A. M. WILSON
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 141, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Mr. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 536.)

An Act to authorize the City of Palatka, a municipal corporation under the Laws of the State of Florida, to issue bonds for the purchase of a supply of water; to enlarge or extend the present water plant of the City of Palatka to make available such supply, or, in lieu thereof, to purchase the water plant of the Palatka Water Works, a corporation, and the properties thereof used by said corporation in supplying water to the people of the City of Palatka, and adjacent territory, and to repeal Chapter 7216, Laws of the State of Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 415.)

An Act concerning waiver of oath to answer in chancery.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 45.)

An Act creating an additional judicial circuit in the State of Florida, to be designated the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit, and to create the Circuit Court thereof, and providing for a Circuit Judge and State Attorney in said circuit, and defining and fixing the territorial limits and boundaries of the Seventh, Eleventh and Fifteenth Judicial Circuits, and providing and fixing the time for holding the terms of the Circuit Court in said Judicial Circuits, and prescribing the effect on pending cases in said circuits.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 218.)

An Act to make effective Article XIX of the Constitution of the State of Florida, as amended, prohibiting the manufacture, sale, barter or exchange of alcoholic liquors for beverage purposes, to provide penalties for the violation thereof, and to refund the unused portion of the license.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 92.)

An Act to amend Section 1524, of the General Statutes of Florida, relating to certificates by the Commissioner of Agriculture in respect to the ownership of public lands, and to authorize said Commissioner of Agriculture to make certificates, under his official seal, of the conveyances of and other facts in connection with lands of the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund or the State Board of Education or other officers of the State of Florida, and to render all such certificates admissible in evidence and entitled to record, and prescribing the force and effect of the same.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 131.)

An Act to repeal Section One Hundred and Six (106) of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relative to the keeping of certain record books and details of all claims filed.

Beg leave to report that the same have been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

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Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 262.)

An Act to amend Section 4109 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, as amended by Chapter 5705 of

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 116.)

An Act to provide for the appointment and recommitment of officers on the retired list and reserve list of the National Guard of Florida, without examination.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 135.)

An Act to amend Section 950 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, pertaining to draining by counties, as amended by Chapter 6457, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1913.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 31.)

An Act to regulate the procedure in appeals in Chancery causes from the Circuit Court of the State of Florida to the Supreme Court of Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 541.)

An Act ratifying and validating and confirming the creation and organization of a drainage district in St. Johns and Volusia Counties, Florida, known as Bunnell Drainage District, created and organized under the provision of Chapter 6458 of the Laws of 1913, State of Florida, declaring the same to be a legal and valid drainage district, and ratifying and validating and confirming all acts taken and performed for and on behalf of said drainage district.

Beg to report that the same have been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

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An Act to restore to the tax books of Bradford County certain lands withdrawn from the list of taxable property of said county by reason of the purchase by the State of lands in said county known as the State Prison Farm, and to provide for the assessment and collection and payment of taxes thereon for county purposes; prescribing certain duties in relation thereto of the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions, and for other purposes incidental thereto.

Beg leave to report that the same have been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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Tallahassee, Fla., May 23, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 420.)

An Act to provide an easement for persons, vehicles and stock occupying or used upon certain lands which are shut off or hemmed in from the nearest practicable public or private road.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 226.)

An Act granting to Courts of Chancery in this State jurisdiction to enjoin and suppress all nuisances which tend to annoy the community or injure the health of the citizens in general, or to corrupt public morals, or is manifestly injurious to the public health, safety and morals of the community; to enjoin and suppress all nuisances mentioned in Section 3680 of the General Statutes of Florida, and all places frequented by persons described in and mentioned in Section 3570 of the General Statutes of Florida as amended by Chapter 5720 of the Acts of 1907, Laws of Florida, and to enjoin all places, houses, tents, booths, in which the laws of the State of Florida are violated, and all houses of lewdness, assignation, and prostitution and places where games of chance are engaged in in violation of the law, and declaring all such places to be nuisances; to enjoin the person or persons who conduct or maintain the same, and the owner and agent of any building used for such purpose, and to provide for the payment of costs of such proceedings, and declaring a lien for such costs.

Senate Chamber,

Also—

(Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 16.)
Relative to advertising lands in Florida.

Also—

Senate Bill, Substitute for House Bill No. 7.)

An Act to provide free school books for the children attending the public schools of Escambia County, Florida,

and to authorize the County Board of Public Instruction to furnish school books to the children attending the public schools of Escambia County.

Beg leave to report that the same have been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,
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Mr. J. E. Calkins, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 559:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act making it unlawful for the Florida East Coast Canal and Transportation Company to make any change in the way of tolls or otherwise for the use of its canal leading from Jacksonville down the East Coast of Florida to Miami until said company shall have restored its canal to the specifications prescribed in Section 3 of Chapter 3665, Acts of 1889, Laws of Florida, and maintained said canal according to said specifications for a reasonable length of time and prescribing penalties for the violation of this Act."

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass, with the following amendment:

Strike out all of Section 3 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"Section 3. The said corporation and any and all officers or employees thereof violating the provisions of this Act shall be punished by imprisonment not exceeding one year, or by fine not exceeding five hundred dollars."

Very respectfully,

JAMES E. CALKINS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 559, with Committee amendment, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Calkins, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 146:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1512 of the General Statutes of Florida, as amended by Chapter 5648, Acts of 1907, as amended by Chapter 6905, Acts of 1915, relating to the pay of witnesses.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,
JAMES E. CALKINS,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 146, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
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Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 485.)

An Act to authorize the County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida, to levy a special tax for publicity purposes.

Also—

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An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the Town of Blountstown, in Calhoun County, Florida,

and to establish, organize and incorporate a city and municipality to be known and designated as the City of Blountstown; to define the territorial boundaries of such city; to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges.

Also—

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An Act forbidding the leasing of the convicts of Polk County to the contractors or other persons connected with the construction of roads now being built, or hereafter to be built, under and by virtue of a county road bond issue following an election held in June, 1916, or any other similar bond election which has already been held in Polk County since that time.

Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,
J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts contained therein were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

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And the Acts contained in the above report were ordered referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to be conveyed to the House of Representatives for the signatures of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

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An Act authorizing the Board of Supervisors of a Drainage District to pay for membership in the Florida Drainage Association.

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An Act relating to back taxes, tax liens and tax sale certificates; providing for the payment, cancellation and

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(Senate Bill No. 518.)

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An Act making it unlawful for the owner of, or the person having the care, custody or control of any hog or hogs to permit or allow the same to run at large on the following described land in Manatee County, Florida, for providing a penalty for the violation of this Act, and providing for the disposition of such hog or hogs: Begin at the NW. corner of Section 1, Township 35 S, Range 17 E, and run south one-half mile to half section line in said Section 1, making the point thus reached, the point of beginning; thence run east to section line, between Sections 3 and 4 of Twp. 35 S, Range 18 E, thence south to the NW. corner of Section 22, Twp. 35 S, Range 18 E, thence east to SW. corner of Section 13, Twp. 35 S, Range 18 E, thence south to the NW. corner of Section 25, Twp. 35 S, Range 18 E, thence east to range line between Ranges 18 and 19, thence south on said range line to twp. line between Townships 35 and 36, thence west on said township line to the SW. corner of Section 36, Twp. 35 S, Range 17 E, thence north to the point of beginning, the tract thus embraced being known as Oneco Election Precinct No. 16 of Manatee County, Florida.

Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

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The Acts were therefore duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate and ordered returned to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to convey to the Governor for his approval.

Mr. Andrews moved to waive the rules and take up Senate Bill No. 492 for consideration.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Senate Bill No. 492:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relative to the care, maintenance and hiring of State convicts, and making an appropriation for carrying out the provisions thereof.

Was taken up and read the second time in full.

Mr. Andrews moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 492 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 492 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was: .

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, McEachern, McLeod, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Willis, Wilson—26.

Nay—Senator Middleton—1.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 388:

A Bill to be entitled An Act amending Chapter 6458, Acts of 1913, Laws of Florida, relating to the drainage and reclamation of lands in the State of Florida.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

The Committee on Public Lands and Drainage offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 388:

In the title, after the word "amending," insert the following: "Sections ten (10) and Fifty-one (51) of."

Mr. Wilson moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 388, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Mr. Oliver moved that the Senate do now proceed to the consideration of executive business.

Which was agreed to.

And the Senate doors were closed at 4:18 o'clock P. M.

The Senate doors were thrown open at 4:30 o'clock P. M. and the Senate resumed its session.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—31.

A quorum present.

Senate Bill No. 398:

A Bill to be entitled An Act amending Section 3317 of the General Statutes of Florida, relative to embezzlement by State, county or municipal officers.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

The Committee on Judiciary A offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 398:

In Section 1, line 2, after the words "of any" and before the word "State," insert the following: "administrator, executor, guardian's."

Mr. Terrell moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The Committee on Judiciary A offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 398:

In Section 1, line 11, after the words "of any" insert the following: "administrator, executor, guardian's."

Mr. Terrell moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 398, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Mr. Carlton moved to waive the rules and take up Senate Bill No. 290 for consideration.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

Senate Bill No. 290:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to encourage the construction and maintenance by common carriers of railway trestles and bridges for the public transportation of passengers and freight, and the establishment, maintenance and conduct of toll bridges for public use along, over and across bays, bayous, lakes and rivers of the State of Florida four miles or more in length, and providing for a fair and equitable assessment of taxes against the property of common carriers along, over and across such bays, bayous, lakes or rivers.

Was taken up and was read the third time in full.

Upon the call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McLeod, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—27.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 381:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1411 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, prescribing the form of subpoena in Chancery."

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

Committee on Judiciary A offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 381:

Strike out "1411" wherever it appears in the title and

body of the bill and insert in lieu thereof the following: "1864."

Mr. Davis moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Committee on Judiciary A offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 381:

After line 2, and preceding line 3, in the printed Bill, insert the following: "1864 (1411) form of."

"1. Form Prescribed.—The form of subpoena to answer shall be as follows:"

Mr. Davis moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Committee on Judiciary A offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 381:

Immediately preceding Section 2 of the printed bill insert the following:

2. Number of defendants to be included in: The names of all defendants, however numerous, may be included in one subpoena.

Mr. Davis moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 381, as amended, was referred to Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 296 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 361:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1261 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to appointment of a State Chemist.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

And the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 395 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 383 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 431 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 324 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 367:

A Bill to be entitled An Act prescribing that county officers shall be paid salaries, fixing said salaries, and providing how all fees received shall be disposed of.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

Mr. Alexander moved to substitute Senate Bill 442 for Senate Bill No. 367.

Which was agreed to.

And—

Senate Bill No. 442:

A Bill to be entitled An Act making an appropriation to pay the E. O. Painter Printing Company for extra volumes of Florida Supreme Court Reports, reprinted under contract of said company, with the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

Mr. Alexander moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 442 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was not agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Mr. Alexander moved to waive the rules and take up and consider Senate Bill No. 443.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

Senate Bill No. 443:

A Bill to be entitled An Act making appropriation to pay the E. O. Painter Printing Company for freight paid by said company on certain Supreme Court reprints.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

There being no amendment, Senate Bill No. 443 was placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading.

Mr. MacWilliams moved to waive the rules and take up out of its order the motion by himself to reconsider the vote by which House Bill No. 447 passed the Senate on Tuesday.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

The motion was taken up and placed before the Senate.

The question was put and the Senate reconsidered its action.

And—

House Bill No. 447:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing for the certification and examination of teachers, prescribing the requirements for the different teachers' certificates; creating a State Board of Examiners, prescribing their duties and providing for their compensation and expenses.

Was taken up and put upon its passage.

By unanimous consent, Mr. MacWilliams offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 447, now upon its passage.

Strike out Section 17 and insert the following:

"Section 17. Any regular graduate of a standard university, college or normal school having graduated therefrom since June 15th, 1905, desiring to teach in Florida, shall pay a fee of five dollars and file his or her diploma, or a certified copy thereof, with satisfactory evidence of having taught school successfully for twenty-four months, with the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, who, with the State Board of Examiners provided for in this Act, shall constitute a commission to review and pass upon all applications for certificates based upon diplomas, and if found satisfactory the State Superintendent shall issue a Graduate State Certificate, Special Certificates, First Grade Certificates or Primary Certificates, as this Commission may determine. All certificates issued under this section shall have all the privileges, rights and benefits conveyed to those holding like certificates issued as the result of examination under this Act.

Mr. MacWilliams moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Alexander, Baker, Calkins, Cradford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Willis—22.

Nays—Mr. President, Senators Andrews, Davis, Middleton, Turner, Wilson—6.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

By consent—
The following authority to receipt for Senate Bills was read:

Executive Chamber.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 23, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Mr. W. P. Bevis is hereby authorized to receipt for all Senate Bills for and on behalf of the Governor.

Yours very truly,
SIDNEY J. CATTS,
Governor.

Mr. Gornto moved that the same be spread on the Journal.

Which was agreed to and so ordered.

Senate Bill No. 194:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to make recitals in decrees, judgments, deed of conveyance and powers of attorney *prima facie* evidence of the facts so recited, when such decrees, judgments, deed of conveyance or power of attorney has been recorded more than twenty years; and to prescribe the condition under which such recitals shall be received in evidence.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

And the further consideration of the Bill was temporarily passed over.

Mr. Gornto moved to waive the rules and that the Senate do now proceed to consider House Messages.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to in-

form the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 569:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the drainage and reclamation of certain lands in Volusia County, Florida; establishing Turnbull Hammock Drainage District; creating a Board of Drainage Commissioners and prescribing its powers and duties; levying a drainage tax upon the lands described within said drainage district; providing for the issuance of bonds of said drainage district; conferring the right of eminent domain upon said Board of Drainage Commissioners, and fixing their compensation.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 569, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 817:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the drainage and reclamation of certain lands in Volusia County, Florida; establishing Turnbull Hammock Drainage District; creating a Board of Drainage Commissioners, and prescribing its powers and duties; levying a drainage tax upon the lands described within said drainage district; providing for the issuance of bonds of said drainage district; conferring the right of eminent domain upon said Board of Drainage Commissioners, and fixing their compensation.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,
R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 817, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 814:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to legalize, ratify and confirm and validate the acts and proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners of Polk County, Florida, in constituting Special Road and Bridge District No. 2, Polk County, Florida, and issuing bonds of said district in the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand (\$150,000) dollars, ratifying and validating all acts and proceedings of said Board of County Commissioners with reference thereto.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,
R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 814, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 804:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing that the appropriation made under Chapter 6830, Acts of 1915, for the purpose of providing teacher training in county high schools be made a continuing appropriation.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,
R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 804, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 810:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize and empower the County Board of Public Instruction of the County of Nassau, State of Florida, to issue and sell interest-bearing time warrants for the purpose of retiring the indebtedness of said Board.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,
R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 810, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has refused to pass by the constitutional three-fifths vote of all members elected to the House of Representatives.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 222:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Article XII of the Constitution of the State of Florida relative to education.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

That the following amendment to Article XII of the Constitution of the State of Florida relative to education, to be numbered Section 16 of said Article XII, be and the same is hereby agreed to, and shall be submitted to the electors of the State at the general election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, A. D. 1918, for ratification or rejection, to-wit:

Section 16. The Legislature at its first session after the ratification of this amendment by the electors of the State, shall prescribe qualifications for eligibility of persons to the office of State Superintendent of Public Instruction and other school offices.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Mr. Jones moved to make Senate Bills Nos. 547 and 548 the special order for consideration on Friday, 11 o'clock A. M.

Mr. Johnson moved to substitute the motion to make the bills a special order for Monday, 11 o'clock A. M.

Which substitute motion prevailed by a two-thirds vote.

Mr. Wells moved to indefinitely postpone Senate Bill No. 361.

Which was agreed to.

And the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Gornto moved to adjourn.

Which was not agreed to.

Senate Bill No. 269:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the care, custody and guardianship of minor children.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

Mr. Calkins moved to indefinitely postpone Senate Bill No. 269.

Which was agreed to.

And the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Senate Bill No. 427:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 6155 of the Laws of Florida, as amended by Chapter 6425, Laws of Florida, entitled "An Act for the incorporation, powers, duties and liabilities of trust and security companies, and to regulate the same." Approved June 7, 1913.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

The Committee Substitute therefor, bearing the same title, was read the first and second times.

Mr. Davis moved to adopt the Committee Substitute for the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

And the Committee Substitute was adopted in lieu of the original Bill.

There being no amendment, Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 427 was placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading.

Mr. Wilson moved that when the Senate adjourns this afternoon that it shall adjourn to 9 o'clock A. M. tomorrow.

Mr. Johnson moved as a substitute that when the Senate adjourns this afternoon it shall adjourn under the rule.

Which substitute motion prevailed.

Mr. Johnson moved that the Senate do now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M., Friday, May 25, 1917.